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Case #149

RE: Saguaro to North Loop Transmission Line Project; Application to the Arizona Corporation Commission for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility.

Dear Mr. Gellman:

The Town of Marana offers the following comments for the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility submitted by Tucson Electric Power Company (TEP) and Southwest Transmission Cooperative, Inc. (SWTC) to the Arizona Corporation Commission.

From a routing perspective, it is the Town's preference to maintain the line routing within the existing 360-foot transmission corridor and utilize the existing access roads in order to minimize the amount of additional ground disturbance as is proposed in both the Preferred Option and Alternative Option 1.

The acquisition of additional right-of-way (100 foot width) from the point of the existing corridor's intersection with the CAP ROW (near the Pima/Pinal County Line) southeasterly to the Thornydale substation, as is proposed in Alternative Option 2, is not supported by the Town of Marana.

From the proposed structure standpoint it is the Town's preference that the Alternative Option 1 be used. It proposes the same number of circuits; however, they will be shared by two monopoles (side by side), replacing the existing H-frame wood structures. The new monopoles are proposed within an anticipated height range of 90'-115' and located within the existing corridor.

In conclusion the Town's objectives to minimize additional footprint; provide the lowest possible height; and avoidance of the I-10/Tangerine intersection we find that Alt Option 1 most closely fits the Town's overall objectives for the proposals. If you have any additional question I may be contacted at 520-382-2600, or via e-mail at kkish@marana.com.

Best Regards,


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